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TO: ALL CHILD HEALTH AND DISABILITY PREVENTION (CHDP)  
PROGRAM DIRECTORS, DEPUTY DIRECTORS, STATE CHILDREN'S  
MEDICAL SERVICES (CMS) BRANCH STAFF AND REGIONAL OFFICE  
STAFF

SUBJECT: NATIONAL PROVIDER IDENTIFIER (NPI) UPDATE

Please find attached a copy of a CHDP provider bulletin that has been posted to the CHDP area of the Medi-Cal website. This bulletin informs providers of the implementation of NPI effective December 17, 2007.

Providers have an opportunity to continue to bill using their Medi-Cal/CHDP-only (legacy) provider number on either Version 7 or Version 8 of the Confidential Screening/Billing Report (PM 160). If a provider chooses to bill with their NPI number, which can only be accomplished by using Version 8, the legacy provider number will be end dated and all further billings must be done using the NPI. Also, use of the NPI number will require providers to enter a place-of-service code and a service location where the service was provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of the claim.

Please distribute this Provider Information Notice without any revisions to providers in your county and complete and return a "Report of Distribution" (DHS 4504). The DHS 4504 can be found at [www.dhs.ca.gov/chdp](http://www.dhs.ca.gov/chdp).

If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Consultant staff.

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Enclosure